

## GLOSSARY

alluvium	Unconsolidated material (i.e., gravel, sand, silt, clay, and various mixtures of these) derived from rock or mineral fragments that have been eroded and transported from their place of origin, then deposited by running water on the land surface
authorized user	A person or entity (including a BLM staff member) with formally approved access to a BLM road as granted by law, a livestock grazing permit, an oil and gas lease, a right-of-way grant, or other use agreement. Under the BLM Roads Policy (Instruction Memorandum No. NM-95-031), does not apply to the general public.
cavate	Applies to an opening cut into soft rock
collector road	A BLM road that usually provides primary access to large blocks of lands and connects with, or is an extension of, a public road system
colluvium	Unconsolidated, unsorted earth material that is transported or deposited on sideslopes and/or at the base of slopes by mass movement (e.g., that caused by gravity) and by local unconcentrated runoff
cuesta	An asymmetric ridge capped by resistant rock layers of slight to moderate dip (less than 10 degrees or 16 percent), mainly in one direction, that is produced by differential erosion of interbedded resistant and softer rocks
easement	An authorization for a non-possessory, nonexclusive interest in lands that is usually granted for a specific use. This authorization specifies the rights of the holder and the obligation of the BLM to use and manage the lands in a manner consistent with certain terms.
colian	Pertaining to earth materials (e.g., dune sands, sand sheets, clay) transported and deposited by the wind
fan	A gently sloping mass of earth debris that forms a section of a low-angle cone, commonly at a place in which a notable decrease in gradient occurs. Specifically, an alluvial fan.

gabion	A hollow cylinder of wickerwork, strap iron, or wire (similar to a basket with no bottom) that is filled with earth or stones and sunk to assist in forming a dike
habituation	The process of making accustomed; as used regarding wildlife, this is the process of wildlife species becoming accustomed to human presence in or near their habitat
hibernaculum	A shelter occupied during winter by dormant animals, usually with a characteristic structure for each species
jacal	A wall made with upright poles or sticks, then covered and chinked with mud or clay
off-highway vehicle	Any motorized vehicle capable of, or designed for, travel on or immediately over land, water, or other natural terrain; the term includes off-road vehicles but is broader
primitive road	A BLM two-track road created by vehicle traffic and not requiring engineering standards. Some are cross country and receive little use, while others are regularly traveled.
resource road	A BLM road for authorized users that provides point access and connects to a local road that serves a smaller area
rhyolite	A group of surface rocks solidified from molten material and having larger crystals in a groundmass of glassy material or smaller crystals
right-of-way	The legal right to cross the lands of another; the strip of land for a road, railroad or power line
subsoil	Roughly, the part of the soil below plow depth
substratum	Any layer, excluding bedrock, that lies below the surface and/or subsoil and that (1) has been little affected by soil development processes, and (2) lacks properties of the overlying layers
terrace	A step-like surface that borders a valley floor and represents the former position of a floodplain, lake or seashore